

# Dinner with friends



**Now before the feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that his hour was come that He should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved His own that were in the world, He loved them unto the end.**

**John 13:1**



**Some time later the LORD said to Moses and Aaron:  
2 This month is to be the first month of the year for you. 3 Tell the people of Israel that on the tenth day of this month the head of each family must choose a lamb or a young goat for his family to eat.**

**Exodus 12:2-3**



**4-5 If any family is too small to eat the whole animal, they must share it with their next-door neighbors. Choose either a sheep or a goat, but it must be a one-year-old male that has nothing wrong with it. And it must be large enough for everyone to have some of the meat.**

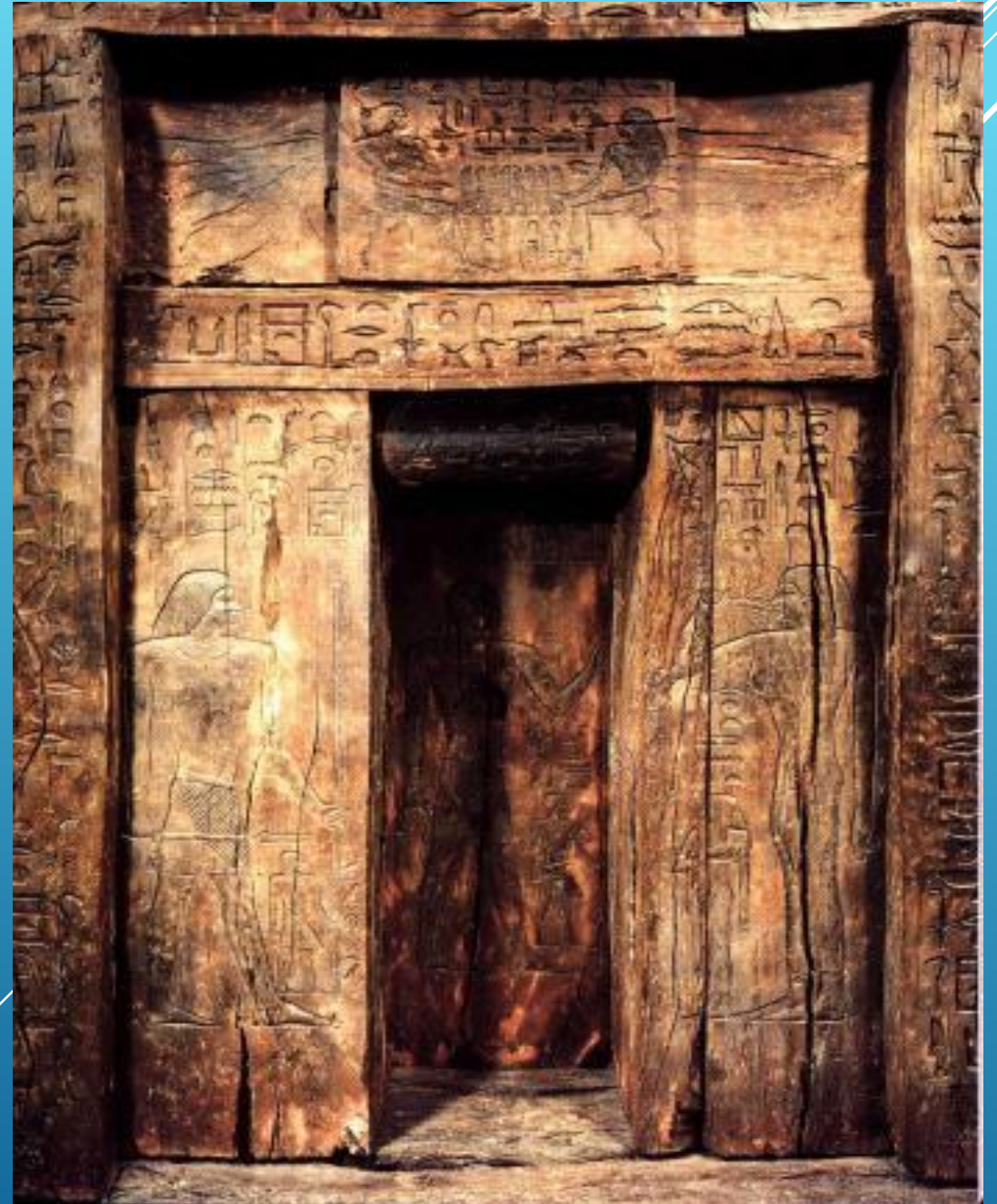
**Exodus 12:1-5**



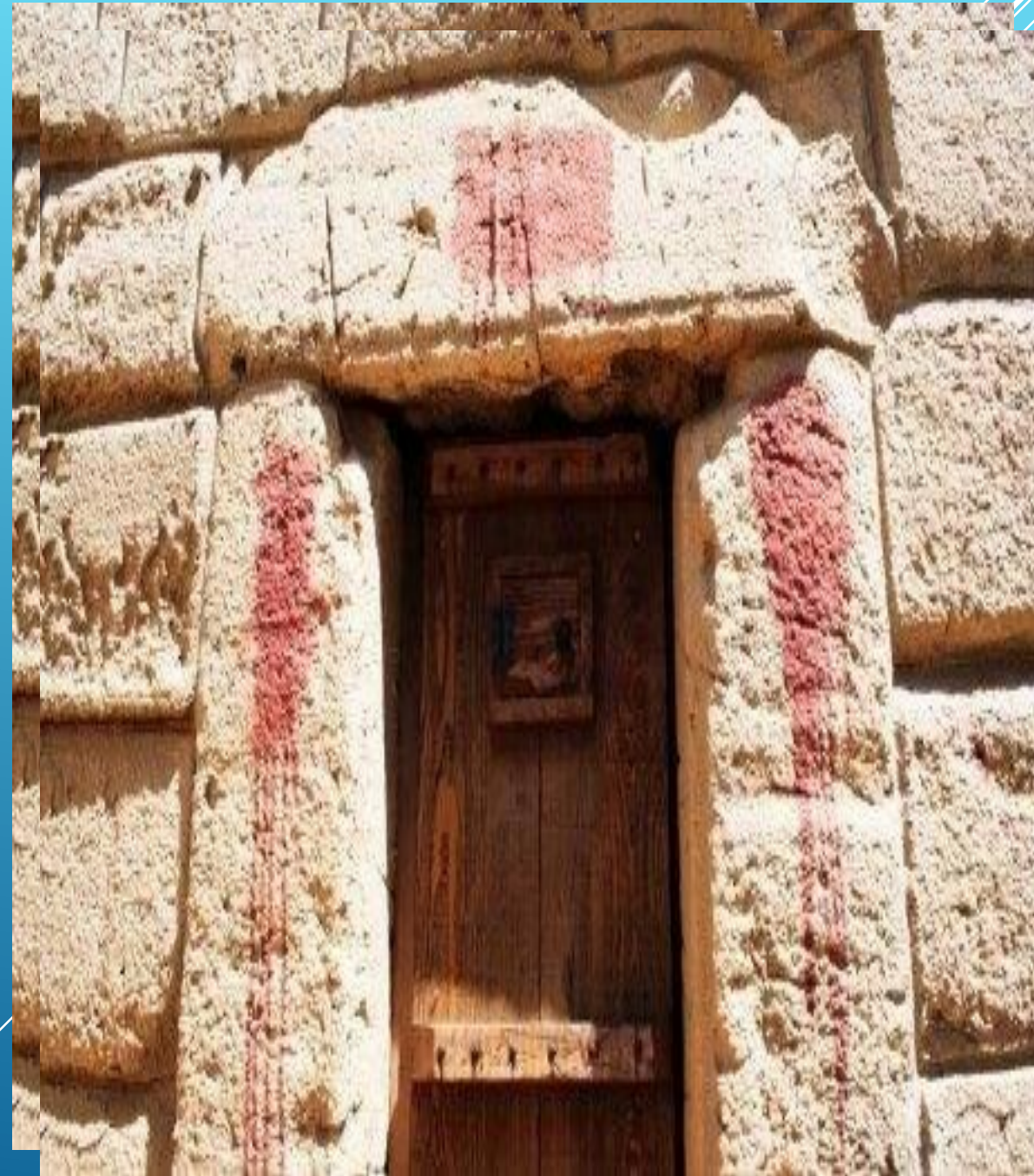
**God gives detail instructions about this meal:**

**Some of the blood must be put on the two doorposts and above the door of each house where the animals are to be eaten. <sup>8</sup> That night the animals are to be roasted and eaten, together with bitter herbs and thin bread made without yeast. <sup>9</sup> Don't eat the meat raw or boiled. The entire animal, including its head, legs, and insides, must be roasted.**

**Exodus 12: 7-9**



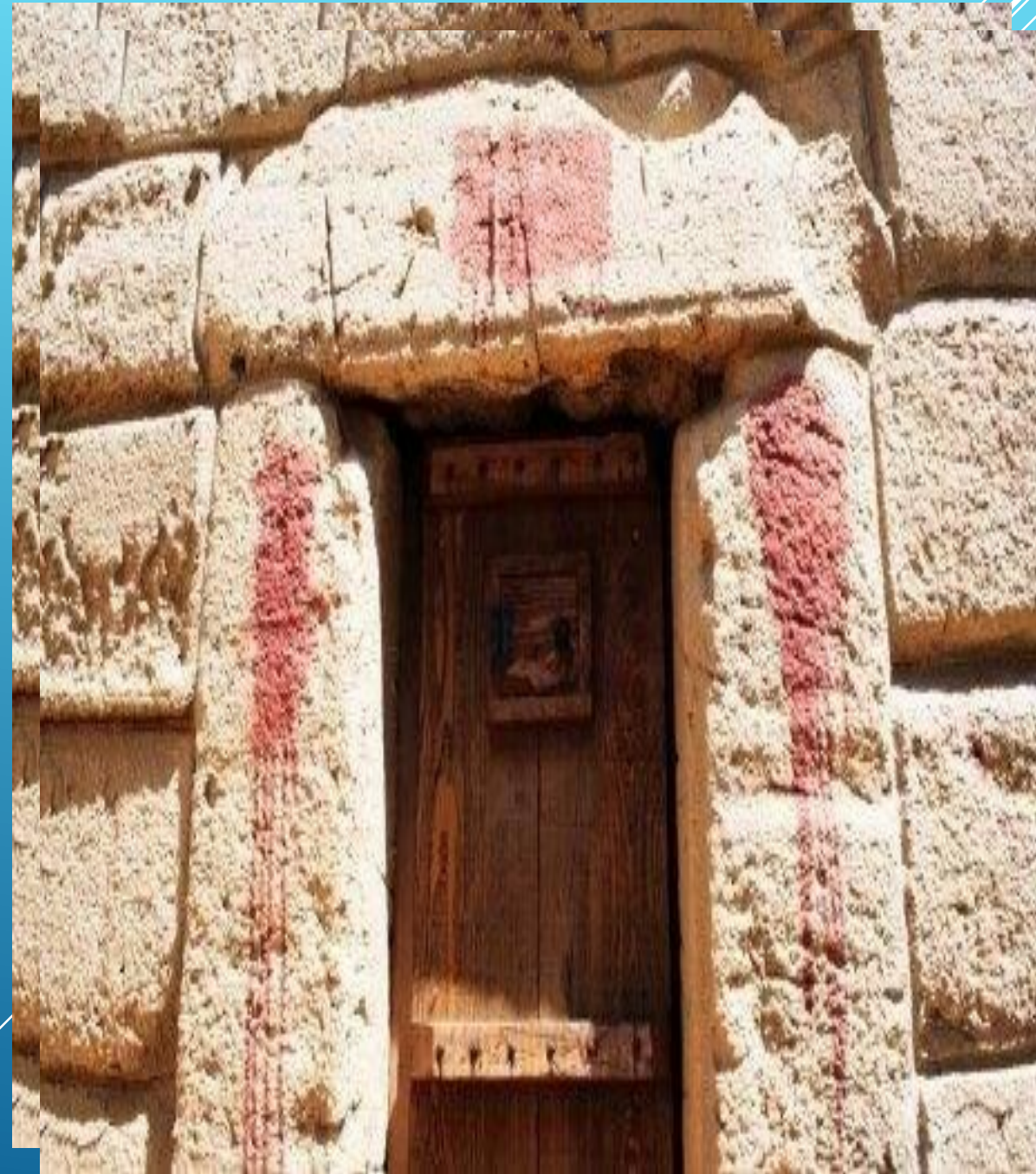
**<sup>12</sup> That same night I will pass through Egypt and kill the first-born son in every family and the first-born male of all animals. I am the LORD, and I will punish the gods of Egypt. <sup>13</sup> The blood on the houses will show me where you live, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. Then you won't be bothered by the terrible disasters I will bring on Egypt.**



**Egyptians wrote their names at the door entrances, these were made of stone.**

**What is the big deal with names in Egypt?**

**If the name survives, the person survives the afterlife**



**Hatshepsut, for example, lived just prior to the Exodus and ruled Egypt for about 20 years after death cut her husband's reign short. Sometime after her death, however, Hatshepsut's name was scratched off many monuments, a clear effort to erase her from the afterlife.**

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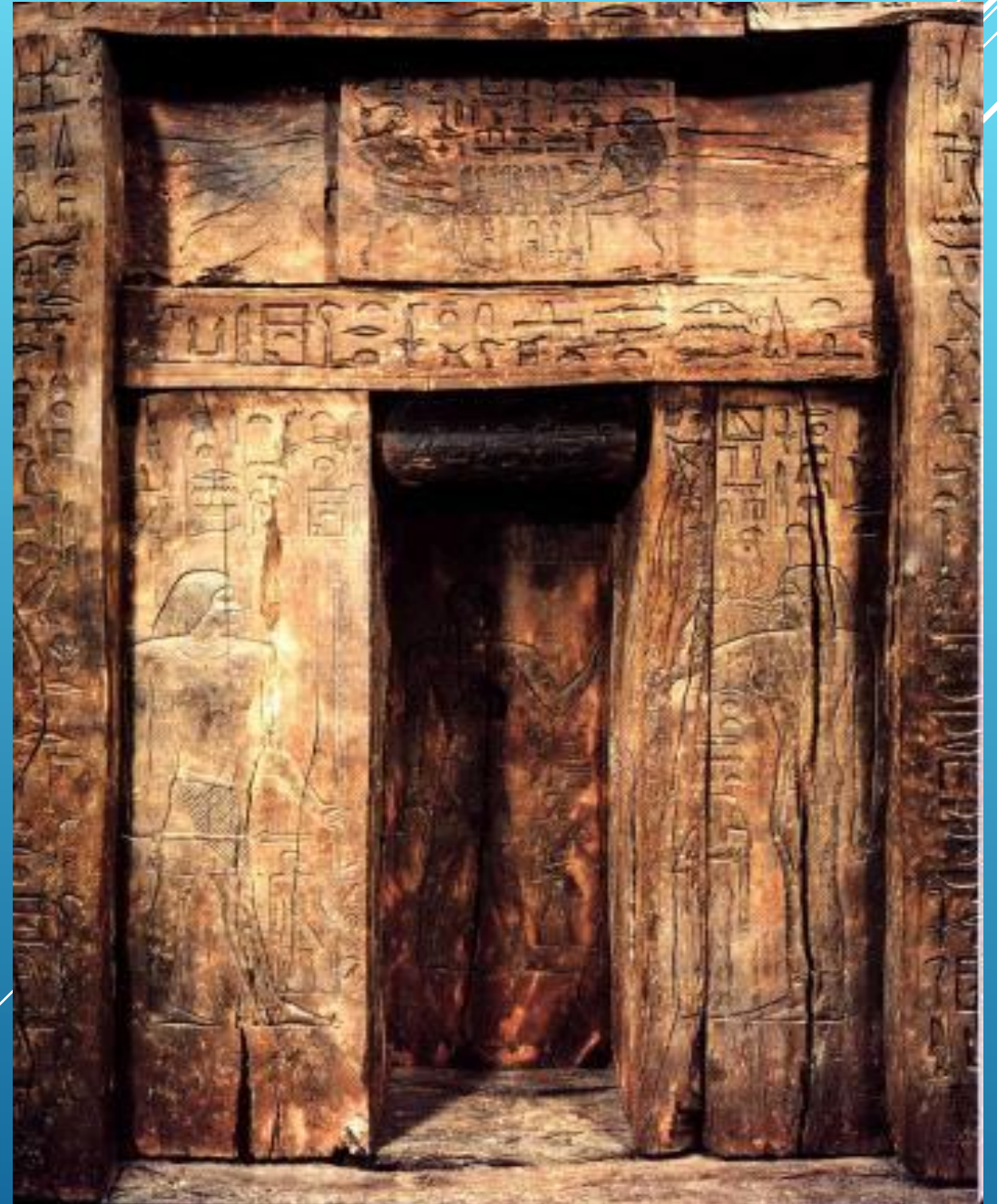


Moses, who was trained in the Egyptian way of life. When depicting the Exodus, he never mentions the name of Pharaoh, but deliberately gives the names of the two Hebrew midwives who were loyal to God (**Exod. 1:15**). (Shiphrah and Puah)

They would live in the real afterlife, and so their names mattered; Pharaoh, who had rejected God (**Exod. 5:2**), would not. His name was, therefore, not important and could be forgotten in history.



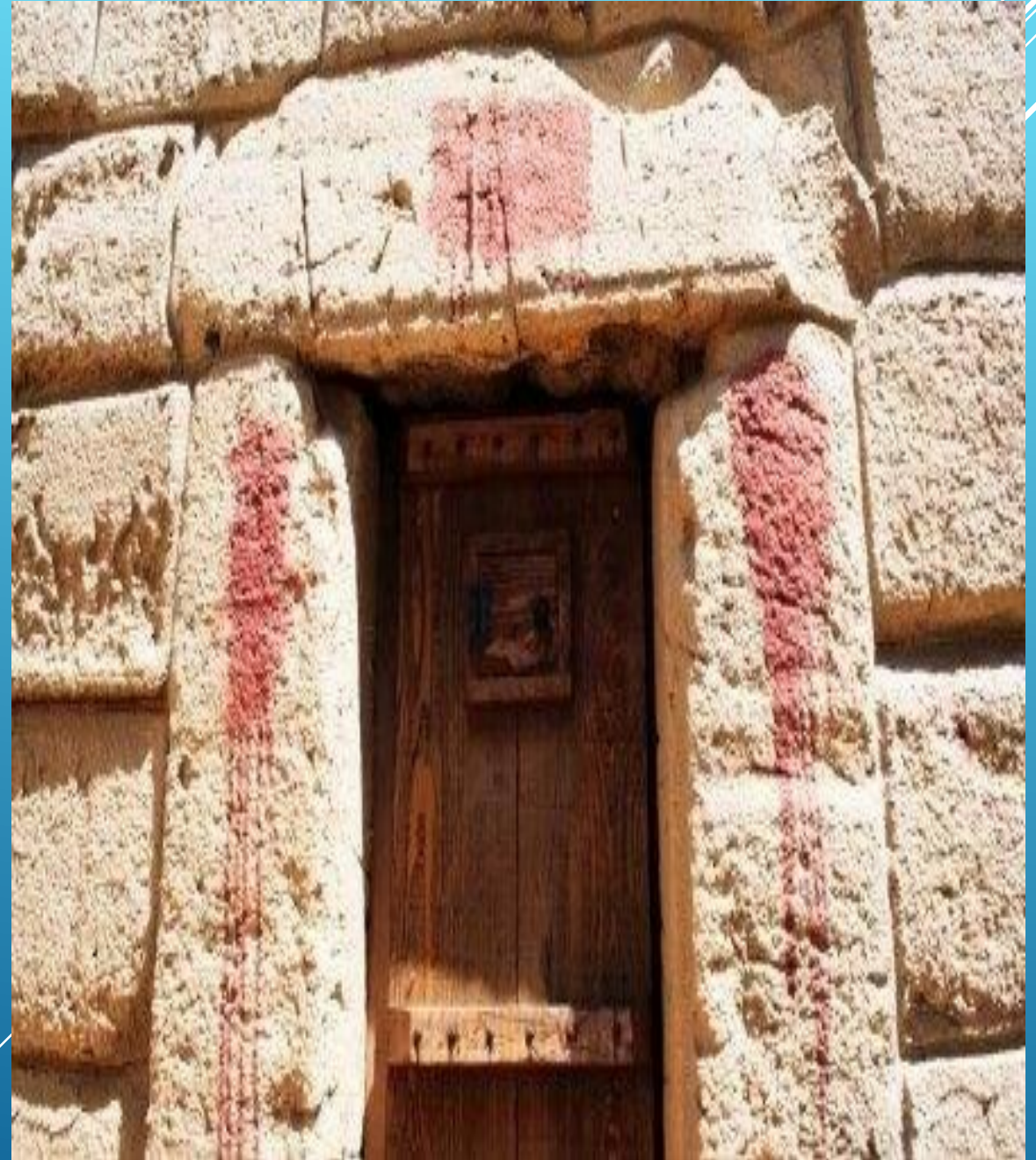
**...royalty and nobility built great stone monuments with their names etched in as many places as possible. The less wealthy, of course, could not afford to do this. Instead, their houses, although primarily mud brick, were constructed with stone doorposts and lintels. On these were inscribed the name of the one who lived inside. Even if the house was destroyed, the chance of the name existing through the survival of the stone was very good.**



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**Exodus 12: 13**

**The memory of the name was Important.**



**In the New Testament, we encounter the story last supper with the disciples:**

**<sup>4</sup> So during the meal Jesus got up, removed his outer garment, and wrapped a towel around his waist. <sup>5</sup> He put some water into a large bowl. Then he began washing his disciples' feet and drying them with the towel he was wearing.**

**John 13: 4-5**



**12 After Jesus had washed his disciples' feet and had put his outer garment back on, he sat down again. Then he said: Do you understand what I have done? 13 You call me your teacher and Lord, and you should, because that is who I am. 14 And if your Lord and teacher has washed your feet, you should do the same for each other. 15 I have set the example, and you should do for each other exactly what I have done for you.**

**John 13: 12-15**



**The Lord selected two elements  
of the meal as symbols:**

**<sup>26</sup> While they were eating, Jesus  
took bread, and when he had given  
thanks, he broke it and gave it to  
his disciples, saying, “Take and  
eat; this is my body.”**

**Matthew 26:26**



**27 Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. 28 This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.**

**Matthew 26:27-28**



**The bread was without yeast, the wine was unfermented, God instructed Israel in how to celebrated the Passover festival:**

**<sup>14</sup> Remember this day and celebrate it each year as a festival in my honor. <sup>15</sup> For seven days you must eat bread made without yeast. And on the first of these seven days, you must remove all yeast from your homes. If you eat anything made with yeast during this festival, you will no longer be part of Israel.**

**Exodus 12:14-15**





**For how long this should be celebrated ?**

**29 I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.”  
Matthew 26: 29**

**26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.  
1 Corinthians 11:26**



**What should be the believers attitude toward this ordinance?**

**27 So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 28 Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.**

**1 Corinthians 11:17-28**



**A question we need to consider:**

**Who remembers your name?**

**27 But nothing unworthy will be allowed to enter. No one who is dirty-minded or who tells lies will be there. Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life will be in the city.**

**Revelation 21:27**

